



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

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Commissioner

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Reference – Request for Proposal:

301-21-017

Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI) support
for the Virginia Food Access Investment Fund

RFP Dated:

November 30, 2020

Proposals Due:

January 8, 2021 at 2:00 PM EST

Buyer:

Kevin Steinbrecher

Director of Procurement and Support Services

The following questions and answers are provided.

1. Do you anticipate extending the bid due date?

No

2. What additional details are you willing to provide, if any, beyond what is stated in bid documents concerning how you will identify the winning bid?

None

3. Was this bid posted to the nationwide free bid notification website at www.mygovwatch.com/free?

Our agency only posted the RFP on the eVA website and Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services website.

4. Other than your own website, where was this bid posted?

Answered in the question above.

5. Who will be holding the funds?

VDACS will manage the disbursement of the funds.

6. Who will be deciding how the funds are distributed?

The Awarded Offeror(s) and VDACS will work together on determining the funding awards.

7. My understanding from your response during the phone call is that VDACS will be holding the funds, and not the CDFI, is that correct?

Yes

8. And that the CDFI and VDACS will be working together to make decisions on how the funds are distributed to awardees, is that correct?

Yes

9. A follow up question to this is: When grantees apply for funding, will they be applying to VDACS, or to the CDFI?

The applications will be made to VDACS.

10. In summary, it would be helpful to know what VDACS considers to be the top 3-5 responsibilities of the CDFI during the timeframe of this offering.

VDACS cannot comment on what an offeror's top responsibilities should be to successfully perform the duties of the contract.